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WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Mean Temperature—73.3 degrees.
Minimum Temperature—67.1 degrees.
Maximum Temperature—80.4 degrees.
Barometer—30.12 at 9 p. m.
Rainfall—1.90 inches, up to 9 p. m.
Mean Low Point for the Day—63.7.
Mean Relative Humidity—67.

WINDS.

North-east 3 to 9.

Forecast for Today.
Tolerably calm and cloudy and warm.

VOLUME II OF THE REPUBLICAN.

The Republican is now in its second volume. It completed its first volume on Thursday morning, and Friday's issue was the first of Volume II. The first number of the paper was issued on June 14th, last, as all readers are aware, the life of the paper being co-existent with that of the Territorial Government of Hawaii. The paper was not started in the midst of any trepidation or fear. Notwithstanding that the need was already well filled, the promoters of the paper believed that Honolulu afforded ample room for a live, hustling and energetic newspaper, and started out on that principle. That they were correct is evidenced by the growth and business of the paper.

As in the case of all new business enterprises, and particularly newspapers, The Republican has had to struggle. Its pathway has not been always strewn with roses. It has met with bitter opposition in certain quarters, and at the same time it has met with much, very much, staunch praise and encouragement. All sorts of false and malicious stories have been circulated about it to the effect that it was to be short-lived, was to be sold, or was to suspend, but still it has gone on constantly increasing its business; and now, at the end of the first six months of its existence, The Republican can boast of a record that it is doubtful if any other daily paper started in recent years in the United States in a city the size of Honolulu can boast of—it is on a paying basis. This is not a mere circulation claim; it is a fact borne out by the advertising columns of The Republican. Every business man and every reader can see this for himself. There is not a dead line of matter in the paper. Every word of advertising, whether display or reading, is paid for at card rates, there being no discounts or commissions allowed to anyone. The advertising columns in today's Republican speak for themselves as to the flourishing condition of the paper.

Nor has this been secured by any trucking or servility. As stated in the first number, The Republican has been independent, brave and fearless in the discharge of its duty to the public, and will continue as it began to "condemn and oppose everything that works against public morals and good citizenship, and labor always for the advancement of the best interests of Honolulu and the Hawaiian Islands."

To the friends and patrons of the paper who have stood loyally by it from the outset, we return our sincere thanks, and to those occasional readers who are not regular patrons in any way, we say, fall into line with The Republican and join the fast increasing company which stands for progress.

WHY THIS SUDDEN CONVERSION?

The devil was sick, the devil a monk would be; The devil was well, the devil a monk was he.

So wrote Rabelais.

Contrast the excerpts from Governor Dole's report with his actions in the dispositions of lands since the Organic Act went into effect.

How about the long lease of over 25,000 acres of land to one cattle concern?

How about the gaudy sales of the Olan lands, the real purchasers being said to be the sugar barons?

As to the lease on favorable terms made to the governor's relative.

Is it not true that the governor favored disposing of the water rights in an important stream to a corporation not using the water in the actual development of lands itself? And that the transfer is simply awaiting the result of the investigation of the national authorities with respect to the rights of the territorial officers to dispose of the public lands and water

rights just as they see fit?—as it not true that the "government"—the high sounding though meaningless phrase assumed by the territorial family compact—is even now committed to the making of leases and sales of lands in large tracts for the benefit of large corporations, and that they will make the transfers if it is found that they have the right to do so? If the lines laid down in the inspired article in yesterday's Advertiser are proper now, they were proper at all times heretofore. Why the exhibition of an utter contrite spirit at this juncture, just as congress gives indication that something may be let drop?

Is the Advertiser honest now in advocating the liberal doctrine of reserving the lands for the best classes of actual settlers, when its course has been to the contrary heretofore? By the way, the Advertiser not only does not come back at The Republican anent the lands paragraph in its Washington correspondence, but it has backed down on its claim that the kitchen cabinet has the undoubted power to dispose of the public lands, it says: "If the territorial government would act on these lines, assuming that it still has the right to administer its public lands," etc.

HAWAII'S GREATEST WOMAN.

When Abraham Lincoln, the emancipator was assassinated, an old colored woman of Washington, who had formerly been a slave declared that she would at once start a subscription among the ex-slaves for the building of a monument to Lincoln's memory. The declaration of this poor woman attracted universal attention and soon contributions of a few pennies at a time, and now and then as much as a dollar, began to pour in for the monument fund. It was nearly twenty years before a sufficient sum was subscribed to erect such a monument as this former slave declared should be erected in honor of "Massa" Lincoln. Visit Lincoln Park in Washington to-day, the park that lies directly east of the capitol, and you will see a handsome bronze statue of Lincoln with a negro woman kneeling at his feet from whom Lincoln, the emancipator, has just stricken the shackles of slavery. Of all the monuments in the United States erected to the honor of one martyr president this one is said to be the most perfect likeness of him.

Here in Hawaii the natives of the islands owe almost as great a debt of gratitude to one of their race as the negroes of America owed to Abraham Lincoln. That one long since passed to the great beyond but her work lives after her. Her many benefactions for her people prove the great interest she had in their welfare. It is hardly necessary to say that we refer to Princess Pauahi Bishop. That grand and noble woman left bequests for her people that will stand as a monument to her memory as long as the Hawaiian people shall exist.

But how fitting that the people for whom she did so much should erect a monument of marble or bronze that shall stand as a lasting tribute to her memory and as an ornament to the city she loved so much. What Hawaiian man or woman will start a subscription at this glad Christmas tide for the erection of a monument in Honolulu to the memory of Pauahi Bishop? Let the contributions, like those of the negroes for the Lincoln monument, come from the ranks of the people. Let them be in small sums, as indicative of the love of the whole Hawaiian people for the woman who did so much to better their position in the world. In honoring Pauahi Bishop the Hawaiians would be honoring the grandest woman of their race.

In all the merry making of Christmas tide don't forget the many favors to the public rendered by the young men in the postal service. The amount of work performed by these young men upon the arrival or departure of a steamer is astounding. They reckon not the hours, but when the mail comes in work to their utmost limit to hurry and distribute it so that waiting ones may be quickly accommodated. Time and again these faithful employees work into the long hours of the night in order that you, dear reader, may not be disappointed or delayed in receiving the message so fondly looked for from those near and dear ones far away. In the sending of heart tokens by the steamers of Friday and Saturday the postoffice employees were not observers of the eight-hour law or of 5 o'clock closing. Their duty was to prepare all the thousands and thousands of pieces of mail for the steamers, and hours of labor counted not, only so the work could be done in time. Thursday night till midnight, all day Friday and late into Friday night, as well as yesterday, these faithful men worked to prepare the Christmas mail for the Zealandia and the Maru. Uncle Sam gives them no extra reward for this work. All they have is the thanks of the postmaster and the happy conscience of a duty well performed. Don't you think the postoffice boys should be remembered in the Christmas greetings?

The live and progressive business men of Honolulu have some interesting information for the readers of The Republican in today's paper. It will not do to overlook the advertisements in The Republican these days. It not only has a way of "setting them up tastefully" but the merchants have a way of wording them attractively.

Would that Hawaii had many more such citizens as H. M. Long of Waimanalo who proposes to raise vegetables instead of sugar cane. Diversified industries are what will increase the prosperity of Hawaii.

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

SHORTLY before his death that greatest of newspaper men and editors the world has produced, Charles A. Dana, wrote one of the gems of his life work in response to the above request from a little girl. The article, together with the child's letter, was published in the New York Sun in December, 1897, and the thought is so grand and so appropriate to Christmas time that it is herewith reproduced in full:

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the "Sun".

"Dear Editor:—I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says 'If you see it in the Sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth: Is there a Santa Claus?" VIRGINIA O'HANLON."

115 West Ninety-fifth Street."

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the scepticism of a sceptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance, no make-believe, no childishness, no wonder, no joy, no excitement, no sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve, to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the wisest woman, can push aside to reveal and view the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is that not real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else so real as that.

No Santa Claus? Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, ten thousand years from now—he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

THE REPUBLICAN CHARTER COMMISSION.

In declining the invitation of the independent for joint action in the appointment of a committee to frame a city charter for submission to the legislature the republicans decided to appoint a committee of thirty citizens to prepare a charter on behalf of the republican party. This is what the committee said, but it should have said that it proposed to appoint a partisan committee of republicans to prepare a strictly partisan charter which the independent members of the legislature, as self-respecting men, would be compelled to refuse to consider. The appointments have been announced and a more partisan committee could not have been selected. Personally the men named are good citizens but collectively the appointments are bad for the purposes for which they were selected.

Of the entire list of thirty names there is not a recent comer to Hawaii in the lot. Men fresh from life in cities of the mainland have been carefully excluded, evidently upon the idea that they might have some practical knowledge of city government and in the effort to defeat municipal government by the executive committee, men of this character were to be strictly excluded. T. McCants Stewart is the only man on the committee who has come to Hawaii within the last five years. Sixteen of the thirty have lived in Hawaii practically all their lives, all but one of the sixteen having been born here, and all of them know nothing whatever of municipal government excepting in the most theoretical way and even the theoretical knowledge of a goodly portion is mightily limited. Of the remaining fourteen members of the committee four are of European birth and have no knowledge of municipal government in the United States, of which country Hawaii is believed to be a part.

Not a single merchant or grocer in the retail district of the city is represented on the commission, not a minister of the gospel in the number, and not a mother of all the vast number of capable women interested in Honolulu; interested in the future of this city, and in the conditions under which their sons and daughters shall grow up. Such talented women as Mrs. W. F. Frear, Mrs. Frank Damon, Mrs. W. W. Hall, Mrs. E. W. Jordan, and many others, who might be mentioned, are all omitted from this very important committee. W. C. Roe is the only representative of the labor element of the city on the committee, all the trades and crafts being conspicuous by their absence.

The republican committee has done nothing but blunder upon the charter question from the time it first discussed it and it promises to continue to blunder as long as it allows itself to be dominated by the avowed opponents of municipal government for Honolulu several of whom are upon the committee as named.

Let us hope that the independents will show better judgement in the selection of their committee and will select a list of names that will insure the representation of every interest and industry in the city, give the women representation and insure the framing of a charter so broad and equitable that it cannot fail to command the support of every fair-minded man in the legislature.

Pauahi Bishop builded wiser than she knew when she set aside a portion of her fortune for the establishment and endowment of the Kamehameha school. With the advent of years the property has greatly increased in value until the income is of such proportions that the annual expense to

pupils attending the school is but the small sum of \$45, a trifle over one dollar per week for the school year. We doubt if there is another school within the domains of the United States whose endowment does so much towards providing a free education for its students. The young of Hawaii do well to honor the memory of this great and good woman.

Not many papers have been started in cities of the United States the size of Honolulu in the last twenty-five years that have been on a paying basis at the end of the first six months of their existence. This fact makes the wonderful showing of The Republican at the close of its first six months of a long and useful life, all the more remarkable.

An interesting statement of the condition of the victoria hospital will be found on another page. This worthy institution is deserving of the most hearty support of the people and every one who can do so should contribute his mite to its support.

Evidently Mr. Eckardt didn't say it about the telephone service. What he did say is shown on another page from the stenographic report of the Mitchell inquest. Either way it speaks volumes for the telephone service.

Despite all stories of an early and untimely death, The Republican continues to grow at a pace that is most gratifying to its owners and managers.

NOTES OF INTEREST.

"Why do you insist on these dilatory methods?" inquired the diplomat. "Well," answered the cruel Chinese official who has snowflakes for blood corpuscles, "things are going along in what ought to be a very satisfactory manner. Your troops are killing off a lot of our citizens. That keeps them from emigrating into civilized countries and at the same time relieves our density of population. The situation comes nearer being a solution of our troubles about excessive population than anything we have as yet struck."

As a result of Bryan's defeat a Missouri girl faced the delicate task of proposing to every man she should meet until one of them accepted her. The cute young thing watched from her chamber window until she saw an old sweetheart coming down the street, ran out and blushing popped and was accepted, and now everything is lovely and the love goose is honking away up yonder among the golden clouds.

Five editors will sit in the Nebraska legislature, which meets in January. If they were given the opportunity to use the blue pencil on much of the matter which will be dumped into the legislative hopper it would expedite business materially.

In a breach of promise case in Virginia a letter from the plaintiff was read, in which she told the defendant, Thomas Jeremiah Wells, that he had intoxicated her with love. Tom and Jerry has become famous for producing just that effect upon all who dally with them.

Cause for Thanksgiving. From the Chicago Post. The Chinese, it is said, discovered America in 429 A. D. Thank Heaven they lost it again.

And Resume His Maiden Name. From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. If Colonel Bryan shall decide to divorce himself from the democratic party within the next four years he can name Mr. James Creelman as co-respondent.

A Clerical Epigram. Rev. Frank Crane, of Chicago. Do not be discouraged because your work is not appreciated. God never tires of making flowers and sunsets, although so few stop to admire them.

A Cure For Chronic Diarrhoea.

"About five years ago I was troubled with catarrh of the lower bowel," says C. T. Chisholm, 484 Dearborn Ave., Chicago, "and although I consulted several eminent physicians who prescribed for me, I found their remedies failed to in any way relieve me, and the trouble almost became chronic. After suffering several months, I one day concluded to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and I beg to assure you that I was most agreeably surprised to find after taking two doses of the remedy that I was completely relieved of the disease that had cost me so much trouble and annoyance. I am thankful to say that I have not suffered from it since." For sale by Benson, Smith & Co., general agents for Territory of Hawaii.

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In addition to homesteads and cottages for sale, we quote the following pieces of vacant:

\$5,000.—Corner 110x150 on Keeaumoku st., near Wilder; will subdivide into three lots.

\$1,600.—Corner lot 54x135 in King Street Tract, adjoining Dick Daly's.

\$2,500.—Fine Manoa lot 100x200 with view of ocean and Diamond Head.

\$8,000.—1½ acres at Punahou, fronting on college campus.

\$7,000.—Choice corner on Beretania ave. Makiki district.

\$1,350.—Fine warehouse lot 50x100, Queen street, Kewalo.

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